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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

JULY 19, 1892.—Ordered to be printed.

Mr. PADDOCK, from the Committee on Pensions, submitted the following

REPORT:

[To accompany H. R. 7434.]

The Committee on Pensions, having had under consideration the bill (H. R. 7434) granting an increase of pension to Jeremiah White, of Osage City, Kans., adopt and submit as their own the report of the House Committee on Pensions on the same, presenting the statement of facts and conclusions therein, and recommend the passage of the bill.

HOUSE REPORT.

The Committee on Pensions, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 7434) granting relief to Jeremiah White, of Osage City, Kans., have considered the same and report:

The claimant was a private in Capt. Hare Fellow's company, Second Illinois Mounted Volunteers, Black Hawk war. He is now pensioned at \$6 per month by special act of Congress on account of an injury of left leg, alleged to have been received during said service. Since the above-named pension was granted it appears that the claimant's disabilities have increased until now he is unable to perform any manual labor; he is about 82 years old and very poor.

H. N. Shaw, secretary Union Building and Loan Association, of Osage City, Kans., testifies that the claimant is so destitute as to be unable to pay his house rent, and so disabled as to be unable to earn a livelihood, and if he had not been assisted would have suffered for the necessities of life.

A. B. Thurman, deputy sheriff of Osage County, Kans., testifies substantially as Mr. Shaw.

Dr. E. B. Packer, of Osage City, Kans., testifies that by reason of age and general debility the claimant has grown so feeble and decrepit as to be totally unable to do any physical labor; also that he is scarcely able to get from place to place, and needs some one to care for him constantly.

Your committee recommend that the bill be amended so as to fix the rate of pension at \$18 per month, and that as so amended the bill do pass.